

AMENDMENTS

In the claims, please amend claims 15, 16, 29 and 34 as follows:

15. (amended) A medical diagnostic ultrasound catheter for imaging from within a body, the catheter comprising:

a shaft;

an ultrasound transducer connected with the shaft;

- a lens or window adjacent the ultrasound transducer; and
- a dielectric film adjacent the ultrasound transducer.
- 16. (amended) The catheter of Claim 15 wherein the dielectric film is positioned between the lens <u>or window</u> and the ultrasound transducer.

Comprising:

(amended) A medical catheter for insertion into a body, the catheter

a shaft; [and]

an electrical conductor within the shaft; and

a non-conductive braid connected with the shaft to transmit torque to the shaft.

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34. (amended) The catheter of Claim 29 further comprising: [a conductor surrounded by at least a portion of the shaft; and] an ultrasound transducer electrically connected to the conductor.

Please add claims 38-47 as follows:

--38. A medical diagnostic ultrasound catheter for imaging from within a body, the catheter comprising:

a shaft;

an ultrasound transducer connected with the shaft; and

- a dielectric film around at least a portion of a circumference and one end of the ultrasound transducer.
 - 39. The catheter of Claim 38 wherein the dielectric film comprises a tape material.